

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 10, 11, 18-24, 36, 38, 42, 44-46, 50-52, 55, 58-74, 76, 78-87 and 94-97 have been amended, while claims 25-35 and 88-93 have been cancelled, and claims 98 -141 have been newly presented.

In view of the foregoing amendments, this application is deemed to be in condition for examination on the merits. Should questions arise however, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Applicant's check drawn to the order of the Commissioner in the amount of \$501.00 as payment of the fee incurred by the addition of 6 independent claims in excess of 12 and 27 total claims in excess of 97 is attached. Should the check become lost or misplaced, the Examiner is requested to treat this paragraph as a requisite petition and to charge deposit account no. 02-4943 of Applicant's undersigned attorney in the amount incurred thereby.

Respectfully submitted,



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